

Mid America Energy, Inc.

Press Release

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Wichita Resident Convicted for Securities Fraud

(Wichita, Kansas) – Securities Commissioner Chris Biggs announced today that Kathy Orender Hadley, of Wichita, was found guilty of three felony counts of securities fraud by District Judge John J. Kisner, Jr. after Orender Hadley entered no contest pleas to the charges.

According to Biggs, Orender Hadley solicited a Sedgwick County resident in June 2004 for an investment in real estate. The investor was told that the investment would pay approximately three times the original investment. Orender Hadley was given \$8,000 for the investment and used the funds for personal use.

In October 2004, Orender Hadley solicited another Sedgwick County resident and a couple from Colorado to invest in pallets of merchandise. The investors were told that Orender Hadley knew of a person who sold merchandise on street corners during the Christmas shopping season and would make a profit of six to seven times their original investments. The investors paid Orender Hadley a total of \$25,000 for this purpose, and she converted their funds into cash and cashier's checks for her own personal use.

In June 2005, Orender Hadley solicited the couple from Colorado to invest in foreign currency trading. Orender Hadley told the couple that she had previously been successful in foreign currency exchange and that they could expect profits of \$1,000 to \$1,500 per month on a \$10,000 investment. The couple invested \$10,000 and Orender Hadley used it for the benefit of her husband.

[Sentencing for Orender Hadley](#) is scheduled for November 13, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. in Sedgwick County District Court. The matter was investigated and prosecuted by the Office of the Securities Commissioner with the cooperation of District Attorney Nola Foulston.

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